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SUBJECT: OASGA - VIEWS ON KEY AGENDA ITEMS

SUMMARY: POSTS REQUESTED OBTAIN AT APPROPRIATELY HIGH
LEVEL VIEWS OF GOVERNMENTS ON KEY OASGA AGENDA ITEMS. END
SUMMARY

1. AGENDA FOR OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL HAVE SOME 37
ITEMS. WHILE MANY ARE HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS, OTHERS HAVE MORE
SIGNIFICANCE, BUT BY GENERAL AGREEMENT THE TWO KEY ITEMS
ARE NUMBERS NINE AND TEN, THE SO- CALLED CALVANI AND GALO
PLAZA ITEMS.

2. ITEM NINE (CALVANI) CALLS FOR QTE CONSIDERATION OF THE
ULTIMATE PURPOSE AND THE MISSION OF THE ORGANIZATION OF
AMERICAN STATES AND WAYS OF ACHIEVING THAT PURPOSE AND
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CARRYING OUT THAT MISSION, UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES EXISTING IN THE WORLD TODAY. UNQTE. THE RELATED ITEM TEN (PLAZA) REQUIRES QTE REVIEW OF THE SYSTEM OF INTER- AMERICAN COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT, WITH A VIEW TO IMPROVING IT AND BRINGING IT UP TO DATE, AND THEREBY STRENGTHENING THE ACTION OF REGIONAL SOLIDARITY IN THAT FIELD AND AVOIDING ACTS OR MEASURES THAT SERVE UNILATERAL POSITIONS OR INTERESTS, ALIEN TO THE OBJECTIVES OF COOPERATION UNQTE. (NOTE THAT PHRASE BEGINNING WITH QTE AVOIDING UNQTE WAS ADDED AT THE INSTANCE OF ECUADOR.)

3. WHERE POSTS HAVE NOT REPORTED SPECIFICALLY ON THESE TWO ISSUES, DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR APPROACHING GOVERNMENT AT APPROPRIATELY HIGH LEVEL TO ASCERTAIN VIEWS. CRIMMINS AND JOVA ARE ENGAGED IN PARALLEL CONSULTATIONS HERE WITH LATIN AMERICAN AMBASSADORS BUT BELIEVE IT MOST HELPFUL TO GET READINGS DIRECTLY FROM GOVERNMENTS.

4. IN MAKING APPROACH YOU SHOULD STATE THAT U. S. BELIEVES THIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY FOR OAS MEMBERS AT LEAST TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF MAKING INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM MORE RELEVANT TO TODAY' S NEEDS AND THAT WE VIEW AGENDA ITEMS NINE AND TEN AS THE KEY TOPICS FOR THE ASSEMBLY. WE ARE SEEKING GOVERNMENT' S VIEWS IN ADVANCE OF ASSEMBLY BECAUSE WE DEEM IT ESSENTIAL TO TAKE THEM INTO ACCOUNT IN FORMULATING OUR OWN POSITION.

5. YOU SHOULD POINT OUT THAT U. S. VIEWS ASSEMBLY AS OPPORTUNITY FOR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON WORLDWIDE MATTERS AS WELL AS QUESTIONS OF HEMISPHERIC CONCERN. ADDITIONALLY YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT WE REGARD THE OAS AS A FORUM IN WHICH TO SEEK OUT CONVERGENT INTERESTS, A FORUM FOR COOPERATION RATHER THAN CONFRONTATION AMONG THE NATIONS OF THE HEMISPHERE.

6. YOU SHOULD REITERATE THAT SECRETARY PLANS TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THE ASSEMBLY AND LOOKS FORWARD TO THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONSTRUCTIVE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH HIS COLLEAGUES IN PRIVATE AND PUBLIC FORUMS.

7. IN PARTICULAR, DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE GOVERNMENT' S VIEWS OF (A) WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE EMERGE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FROM DISCUSSIONS (B) WHAT THEY SEE AS TENDENCIES OF

OTHER GOVERNMENTS ON THIS MATTER AND (C) WHAT, IF ANY,
INSTITUTIONAL CHANGES OR CONCRETE ACTIONS THEY BELIEVE
ASSEMBLY SHOULD POINT TOWARDS. ROGERS

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